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SUBJECT: AUSTRALIAN STRATEGIC EXPORT CONTROLS

EXCON

REF; A. CANBERRA 2656 AND PREVIOUS B. STATE 87397

1. WITH AN EYE INTER ALIA ON UPCOMING COCOM EXPORT CONTROL SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING, WE TOUCHED BASE LIGHTLY WITH INDUSTRY, TRADE & COMMERCE DEPT. (ITC) TO ASCERTAIN CANADIAN OFFICIALS' THOUGHTS ON SUBJECT. THEIR REACTION WAS: AS AUSTRALIANS HAVE STATED CATEGORICALLY THEY WOULD NOT DO ANYTHING TO UNDERMINE COCOM CONTROLS, THE GOC POSITION, UNOFFICIALLY AND OFFICIALLY, IS TO ACCEPT AND RELY ON THIS.

2. OUR INTERLOCUTOR, H. D. EVANS, CHIEF OF EXPORTS & IMPORTS PERMITS BRANCH, ASLO FRANKLY DID NOT REPEAT NOT THINK JAPANESE WERE " GOING TO DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT", I. E. CHANGE THEIR POSITION ON COCOM, WITH IMPACT THIS WOULD HAVE ON JAPAN' S RELATIONS WITH U. S.

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EM EVANS SAID CANADIANS ALSO HAD BEEN TOLD BY AUSTRALIANS IN CANBERRA THAT DFA OFFICIALS WOULD HAVE MADE SAME RECOMMENDATION TO END STRATEGIC CONTROLS ON COMMERCIAL TRADE REGARDLESS OF CHANGE IN GOVT.

(CANBERRA 2521).

4. EVANS TOLD US, FINALLY, THAT HE PLANS TO ATTEND
COCOM EXPORT CONTROL SUBCOMITTEE MEETING, DEPARTING
OTTAWA MAY 17.
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